Meeting Minutes

Date: January 21, 2015

By: Jean Davids, Secretary Monticello Camera Club

Jean Davids, secretary of the club, led the meeting in the absence of Steve Huss, president. We had 18 members attend the meeting.

We started the meeting by displaying the assignment photos. The assignment was "Snow". Seven members submitted photos for viewing. The February assignment is Flash, which will make use of what information we learned about at this meeting.

Bob Somerville shared information related to where we are with the photo show. He passed around the volunteer list for the photo show. We will have another opportunity to fill this out at the February meeting. We will once again have the Sherburne Refuge display. Bob sent around a sheet to sign up if you had ideas for other displays for the show. If you do, please let Bob know. He reported that the signage has been taken care of. Katie Friedman will take care of getting information out to the papers this week. The flyers were printed and passed around for members to distribute to local businesses for advertising. He will get the bins to Finders Keepers for collecting photos that get dropped off there. Bob and Jean have already started checking the post office box more frequently for entries.

Bob Somerville led a presentation/discussion on Flash. He had Jean play a video on the Digital Photography School website (www.digital-photography-school.com). Search for flash or specifically look for "A Tip for Shooting with A Pop-Up Flash on Your Camera". It's done by Fro Knows Photo and is done very well. Larry Wilson brought in a white sheet and a black old telephone for props to try out some things out with flash units since we were told to bring camera and flash for this session. He had us try out taking a shot with just the usual flash settings and then he had us try using the exposure compensation button to bump up the exposure. The flash settings stayed the same but it made a real difference in the brightness of the photo. It was an interesting experiment. It was similar to what was being suggested in the video that we watched.

Bob announced that National Camera will do a presentation on flash for our club. Should be good.

Lisa Tetzlaff announced that John Pennoyer will be judging as well as teaching a class for their annual Elk River Arts Alliance photo show. The show lasts for a month. The jury exhibit is August 13th. Entries need to be in by July 19th. There will be a photo reception on August 20th from 5 to 8 pm. More details will be given to us as they are available. You can view more information as it progresses on the Elk River Arts Alliance website (www.elkriverart.org). The Annual Photography Exhibit runs from August 12 to September 12th, 2015.